2. The land brought under cultivation for foodgrains and sugarcane during the year 1992-93 has been estimated as under :

(Thousand hectares)

Crop	1992-93
Rice	41636.8
Wheat	24430.6
Other Cereals & Millets	34772.9
Total Cereals & Millets	100840.3
Pulses	23742.6
Total Foodgrains	124582.9
Sugarcane	3617.5

Schemes for Export of Agricultural Products

1592. SHRI V. NARAYANANSAMY :
SHRI BISHAMBHAR NATH PANDE :

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the Agriculture Ministry is implementing special schemes for the export of agricultural products abroad; and

(b) if so, what are the salient features of the scheme ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI S. KRISHNA KUMAR) : (a) and (b) Developmental schemes of the Ministry of Agriculture focus on increasing the agricultural production which *inter-alia* increases he domestic availability and generates larger surplus for export. To facilitiate the export of agricultural products, the Ministry has taken initiatives to improve infrastructural gacilicties, development of marketing infrastructure and establishment of market information service.

Subsidy on Foodgrains to Adivasis

@1593. SHRI SATISH PRADHAN : Will the Minister of FOOD be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government propose to withdraw subsidy on all the foodgrains supplied through Public Distribution System;

(b) whether the subsidy will also be withdrawn for foodgrains supplied to Adivasi areas; and

(c) whether the State Government will be authorised to supply foodgrains to Adivas areas on subsidy ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD (SHRI KALP NATH RAI) : (a) and (b) There is no proposal to withdraw food subsidy either on the foodgrains supplied through Public Distribution System or to Adivasi areas.

(c) Does not arise.

राशन की दुकानों के मालिकों द्वारा कमीशन की मांग

@1594. **श्री विट्ठलराव माधवराव जाधव :** क्या खाद्य मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि राशन की दुकानों के मालिकों ने चीनी-वितरण के लिए उन्हें

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